

Training Workflow

To support a streamlined process for training approval and submission, all training requests are processed using Training Workflow, which is a component of the Department's Corporate Human Resource Information System (CHRIS).

Training Workflow uses a five-step approval process, ensuring that all aspects of approval are met, from simple administrative approval to legal obligations. The first three steps of this process reside within an employee's organization, and follow that organization's internal business processes. The final two steps reside with the ETS Staff, i.e. - an organization's Training Coordinator, and group of Training Processors.

For more information on Training Workflow, you can either visit the CHRIS Website at <http://chris.doe.gov>, or contact your organization's [Training Consultant](#).

Need Additional Assistance???

For general 'How-to' questions, please reference the below documents.

[Instructions for Employees](#) (Approvers below)

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CHRIS Training Workflow Instructions for Employees

Purpose:

CHRIS Training Workflow allows employees to electronically request and route training requests and for managers to

electronically approve training actions online. The following information outlines the basic steps that must be taken to

approve training actions.

Logging On:

Step 1: Log on to Employee Self Service (ESS) at <https://mis.doe.gov/ess>.

Step 2: Click the CHRIS/PeopleSoft menu item. The Connect to CHRIS/PeopleSoft Screen is displayed.

Step 3. Click the Connect to CHRIS button and the Main CHRIS Workflow screen should be displayed.

Note: Employees may receive the following PeopleSoft Error message:
Webserver appears to be incorrectly

configured. If this message is received, close the window by clicking the X button in the upper right-hand

corner. Then click the Connect to CHRIS button on the previous screen and the Main CHRIS Workflow

screen should be displayed.

Setting Up an Employee Training Workflow Profile:

Step 1: Navigate to "Employee Training Workflow Profile" by clicking on CHRIS Workflow > Training > Setup >

Employee Training Workflow Profile.

Step 2: Click on the magnifying glass under the "Approver" column next to the Approver 1 row.

Step 3: Enter the approver's last name in the "Last Name" field and click on the "Lookup" button. All approvers with

that last name will appear.

Step 4: Click on the appropriate approver's name. This will populate the Approver field.

Step 5: Continue steps 2 through 5 to complete each role in the Approver profile until you have completed your

Profile.

Caution: If no approver is required for a specific step, employees should check the "Skip" box next to that

approver row. This must be done for training requests to be routed correctly.

Step 6: Click on the "Save" button.

Initiating a Training Request:

Step 1: Navigate to "Employee Training Request" by clicking on CHRIS Workflow > Training > Training Requests >

Create/Modify Training Request.

Step 2: To create a training request, click on "Create Request," or to view your training history, click on the arrow

tabs.

Step 3: Complete the Training Request online by filling out all the necessary fields on the "Training Request" and

"Approval Routing" screens. Things to be aware of:

a. Attendance field will default to "Request."

b. For an internal course:

1) Click on the "DOE Class" button;

2) Click on the "Refresh" button;

3) Locate the class you wish to attend, and click on the box to the left of the class; and

4) Scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the "OK" button.

c. For an external course, provide the Course Title, Begin/End Dates, Training Reason, Objectives, and Vendor

information, costs (including estimated associated travel costs), and other pertinent information.

d. Because an e-mail is immediately generated for approval upon saving the training request, do **not** save a

Workflow entry until the **ENTIRE** training request has been completed including both the "Training

Request" and the "Approval Routing" screens.

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Step 4: Click on the "Approval Routing" tab when all information has been provided on the Training Request page.

Step 5: Click on the magnifying glass for a list of valid approvers. (The approvers shown are automatically populated

if an Employee Profile has been created.)

Step 6: Click on the "Save" button at the bottom of the page to submit the training request. This will notify Approver

1 by email that you requested training.

Step 7: Click on the "Sign Out" button to exit the system.

Step 8: You will receive an email when your training has been approved/disapproved.

Canceling a Training Request:

Step 1: Navigate to "Cancel Training Request" by clicking on CHRIS Workflow > Training > Training Requests >

Create/Modify Training Request.

Step 2: Locate the training request by using the navigation arrows on the right hand side of the screen.

Step 3: If your training request is still in the approval cycle, you will see a cancel request check box directly below

your name.

Step 4: Click the check box and the system will prompt you to enter your cancellation reason and then click okay.

Step 5: Scroll to the bottom of the page and click the "Save" button.

Step 6: If you do not see the cancel request check box, please send an email to the Training & Development

Department (T&DD) (TRC email address is training@doeal.gov) and carbon copy (cc) your supervisor. In the

email, please list your training cancellation reason.

Submitting a Training Evaluation OR Completion Documentation:

Step 1: You will receive an email, which contains a training evaluation form for the course in which you have been

enrolled.

Step 2a: After the training has been completed, you will have 3 weeks to complete and send in the evaluation form **OR**

send in completion documentation.

Step 2b: If you have not submitted the training evaluation form **OR** completion documentation, you will receive a

reminder email message and will have 3 additional weeks to send in the documentation.

Step 3a: When T&DD receives the evaluation form **OR** completion documentation, your status will be updated in

CHRIS to show completion.

Step 3b: If the evaluation form **OR** completion documentation is not received by the end of the 6-week period, your

status will be marked "Incomplete/Dropped."

Note: Employees' status will be changed to "Complete" once completion documentation is provided.

Hotline Help:

******Access problems with your CHRIS Workflow user ID or password should be sent via e-mail to:

chrissecurity@netl.doe.gov.

******Contact the Training and Development Department for questions concerning procedures and general operational

assistance.

Instructions for Approvers

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NOTE: After filling out forms provided by the organizational Training Workflow POC, approvers will receive an email message from the CHRIS Security Administrator. Approvers can utilize the single sign-on capability provided in ESS to access CHRIS Training Workflow. Approvers may receive the following PeopleSoft Error message: Webserver appears to be incorrectly configured. If this message is received, close the window by clicking the X button in the upper right-hand corner. Then click the Connect to CHRIS button on the previous screen and the Main CHRIS Workflow screen should be displayed.

Managers -- Reviewing a Training Request:

Step 1: You will receive an e-mail notification of an action awaiting your approval.

Step 2: Log on to CHRIS (follow steps in "Logging On" section above and go to Step 5 below).

Step 3: Click on "Worklist" to retrieve all requests pending your approval.

Step 4: Click on the appropriate request from the list.

Step 5: Review the training information on the "Training Request Form" page.

Step 6: Click on the "Approval Routing" tab.

Step 7: Select approved, denied, or recycle from the drop down menu under the status column on the training request.

a. Approved will notify the next approver by e-mail to approve or deny the training.

b. Denied will notify the initiator by e-mail that the training has been denied.

d. Recycled will notify the previous approver or the initiator by e-mail that additional information is needed or that he/she is the wrong approver.

e. If you deny or recycle a training request, you must enter your pertinent comments/reason in the appropriate remark field.

e. If the next box is blank or contains the incorrect approver, select the appropriate approver by clicking on the magnifying glass or place a check in the "Skip" box next to the appropriate approver step, if no approver is required.

Step 8: Click "Save."

Step 9: Click on the "Sign Out" button to exit the system.

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